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In re

Patent Application of

Douglas R. Dean, et al.

Application No. 10/650,096

Confirmation No.: 5895

Filed: August 26, 2003

Examiner: Amy Jo Sterling

"POLE CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR RACKS AND SHELVING"

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
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	TOTAL CLAIMS	42	MINUS	42	0	X \$18	0.00
	INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	5	0	X \$88	0.00
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		0.00	

No additional fee is required.

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AMENDMENT, RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND EXAMINER'S INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2004 and the Examiner's Interview with the undersigned Applicant's Representative on October 20, 2004, and is filed within the three-month shortened statutory period set for response to the Office Action. Accordingly, no extension of time petition or fee is required to accompany this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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